RESOLUTION NO. 11-230 150004

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WICHITA TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONSORTIUM OF CITIES, COUNTIES AND OTHER ENTITIES FOR A HUD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has invited the Regional Economic Area Partnership (REAP) to apply for a Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant program requires REAP to establish a regional consortium which may consist of the Counties of Sedgwick, Butler, Harvey, Reno and Sumner and the Cities of Wichita, El Dorado, Newton, Hutchinson, and Wellington, as well as the Wichita Area Metropolitan Area Planning Organization and other private and non-profit entities within the region, for the purposes of submitting a HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant application; and

WHEREAS, The grant program, if awarded, would last three years, and would result in a coordinated plan for sustainable development for the five-county region to help build our region's capacity to compete in the global economy.

WHEREAS, REAP desires to submit the grant application, implement the grant and carry out the duties of the consortium. REAP is proposing to hire a project manager to oversee the development of the plan; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County has been asked to serve as fiscal agent for the consortium; and

WHEREAS, there is no cash match required of the City and no City staff will be added to work on this grant. In order to contribute to the required local match, there will be the following "in-kind" match commitment of City staff time associated with attending meetings and reviewing reports:

City of Wichita In-kind Contributions			
		Annual	Three-year
Position	FTE/YR	Contribution	Contribution
Director of Urban Development	.04	\$5,670	\$17,010
Assistant Public Works Director	.04	\$5,578	\$16,734
Division Manager (Building	.04	\$5,210	\$15,630
Services)			
Fleet Manager	.04	\$4,850	\$14,550
City Engineer	.04	\$6,720	\$20,160
Stormwater Manager	.04	\$4,496	\$13,488
Director of Planning	.05	\$7,591	\$22,773
Advanced Plans Manager	.05	\$5,402	\$16,206
Environmental Initiatives Manager	.15	\$18,280	\$54,839
Downtown Development Manager	.05	\$4,352	\$13,057
Housing & Community Services		\$4,002	\$12,007
Director	.03		
Home-ownership Manager	.02	\$2,339	\$7,018
TOTALS	0.59	\$74,490	\$223,472

WHEREAS, the City of Wichita recognizes that metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments are essential for the long-term economic stability of the region; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Wichita deems it appropriate and necessary to adopt this resolution that will state its commitment to participate in the proposed consortium.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WICHITA CITY COUNCIL that:

- 1. The City of Wichita intends to participate in the Consortium in support of REAP's application for the HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant.
- 2. The Mayor shall be and is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all conveyances, affidavits, contracts, documents and instruments necessary to effect this resolution.
- 3. This resolution shall be effective upon passage by the City Council.

Dated this 20th day of September, 2011.	
ATTEST:	
Karen Sublett	Carl Brewer, Mayor